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INVENTOR	S: V.A. Koulchin, N.J.)	EXAMINER: Ja-Na Hines
_	Moore, E.V. Molokova)	
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REQUEST FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MARCH 20, 2003

Request in hereby respectfully made that the time for response to the final rejection herein mailed March 20, 2003 be extended three months to expire Monday, September 22, 2003.

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A check to cover the small entity time extension fee for 3 months of \$465.00 accompanies this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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